IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows;

Pages 10 and 11, please amend the paragraph beginning at line 26 of page 10 as follows:

In the second form of the embodiment of the invention shown in Figures 5 to 7, the elements similar to those of the first embodiment bear identical references. The female (A) and male (B) elements of the coupler are intended to fit axially in each other and there are provided in the body 1 of the female element [[A]] a latch 5 and a piston 8 similar to those of the first embodiment, these members being provided with respective surfaces 56 and 86 for blocking in configuration of purge or communication with the air of the inner volume of the downstream pipe C_2 and of the male connector 7. A spring 6 exerts on the latch 5 an effort or force [[F₂]] $\underline{F_1}$ directed upwardly in Figures 5-to 7-Figure 5.